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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action dated September 25, 2003 to which a reply is due on or before March 25, 2004 with a three-month extension of time.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 05-1068.